

# In the Middle

DECEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER



## **City Council Meeting**

**December 14th**

**January 12th & 26th**

6:00pm, City Council Chambers

Visit the City of Peosta [website](#) for Agenda and Minutes.

## **Milk and Cookies with Santa**

**Thursday, December 16th**

PCC Banquet Room

6:00pm-7:00pm

## **Christmas Parade**

**Thursday, December 16th**

7:15pm

## **Christmas Tree Pick-up**

**January 6th and 13th**

## **Special Election for Mayor**

**Tuesday, January 25th, 2022**

We almost have another year in the “books”. Seems like some things haven’t changed (COVID), however in Peosta A LOT has changed. On December 14, I marked my 6-month anniversary with the city as your administrator and I can say with enthusiasm, I could have not made a better decision then to come to Peosta! I knew that coming aboard I would be busy, and you haven’t let me down, so here is a recap of 2021 and all the wonderful things that continues to make this community a wonderful place to live, work and play!

In early spring, the Taphouse broke ground and construction was completed in November and opened for business later that month. There is not a day that you drive by and see the parking lot FULL of patrons. Congrats to Jeff and Melinda for a providing a place to gather and enjoy some appetizers and refreshments.

To the east of the Taphouse, we have a 12-plex apartment complex that is nearing completion, and the developer, Slavik Nakonechnyy has already broke ground on another 12-plex that should be ready for occupancy in the summer of '22. Mr. Nakonechnyy will also be contrasting another 18-apartment complex that will start in the spring of '22. Housing has been an issue and these apartments will certainly help to fill a void for those who are looking to move to our area.

We are also fortunate to have Jumble Coffee come to Peosta. George Naumann and Cheri Kalb are co-owners of this coffee house and have a couple of other locations that I am sure all of us have traveled to for a hot cup of java. Looking forward to their opening soon.

Just behind Jumble Coffee to the west, you will see what looks like a rather large garage going up off Cox Springs Road and Thunder Valley Drive, that is a 4-unit strip mall. The developer is hoping to attract independent businesses to this location (think of independent businesses as insurance agents, accountants, nail salon, etc.). We wish him the best on landing tenants that will bring

amenities to us so that we do not have to travel outside of Peosta.

Also, how can you miss the new ACE Hardware that is near completion on the corner of Peosta Street and Burds Road? The owner, Sara Carpenter has told me that they hope to open in February. If you haven't visited one of their stores in Dubuque, I would encourage you to do so. It's a great "sneak-peak" at what we will be able to enjoy once they open their doors.

Some of you may have noticed that there is site preparation taking place east of Farm Bureau. In spring of '22 construction will start on Peosta Square, which will be three stories and house commercial in the lower level and have apartments in the other two levels. The developer, Wes Shulte is busy working on attracting businesses for the lower level and I am sure that we will not disappoint us!

Not too far from Peosta Square, you can see the new College Suites dorms that will be home to 191 lucky NICC students. The developer, Wes Shulte anticipates that the dorms will be open in July or August of '22. The City Council, I and NICC Staff were given a tour of the facilities about a month ago and cannot wait for the grand opening of this project.

Other notable projects that happened in 2021 include the completion of the new Wastewater Treatment Plant, which is now up and running. This investment will provide us with enough capacity to keep up with the growing residential and commercial growth for many years. Along Highway 20 you probably have seen activity too as this lift station upgrade is nearing completion too. The city has planned wisely for the future and these two projects are the result of it.

Residential construction was also at an all time high with new construction permits being issued to 40 new homes! Fortunately, Peosta has plenty of residential area to continue building, and I would not be surprised if we match or surpass this number in 2022.

In closing and looking back at 2021, I still cannot believe that all of this took place in such a short period of time and predict that 2022 will also be a very busy time for the City of Peosta.

I hope you and your families have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Stay healthy and safe.

Best regards,  
Annette

[New Commercial and Residential Update](#)

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**Light Up Peosta! 2nd  
Annual Holiday Home  
Decoration Contest!**





Take your family on a tour through the City and vote for your top 3 favorites using the link below! Winners will be announced at Milk and Cookies with Santa Event on **Thursday, December 16th!** **Please vote one time for your 3 favorites!** Thanks for all who participated and to all the local businesses who donated some amazing prizes! This year we added a special drawing for entering your home!

Vote [HERE!](#)

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16TH**

**Holiday fun for the whole family**  
**Milk and Cookies with Santa**

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- Share your list with Santa - Take a Picture with Santa
- Enjoy Milk and Cookies - See who won Light Up Peosta

**6:00-7:00 p.m.**

Admission is Free with a donation of a non-perishable food item

Peosta Community Centre Banquet Room

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When: **Thursday, December 16th** at approximately 7:15pm (after the Milk and Cookies Event)

Join Santa, Mrs. Claus, and Friends as they make their way through town for a Christmas Holiday Parade! Parade route is listed below.



## Special Election for Mayor

Peosta Special Election for Mayor will be

## In the News

**Tom Hancock Memorial Fire and EMS Grant Program**

held on **Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022**. Election Forms are available at Peosta City Hall for anyone interested in running for Mayor. All paperwork needs to be turned into the Dubuque County Elections Office and the filing deadline will be on **Wednesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>**. City Hall is open Monday through Thursday 7:30am-4:30pm and Friday 8:00am to 12:00pm. (Closed Friday December 24<sup>th</sup> and Monday, December 27<sup>th</sup>).

[Nomination Papers](#)  
[Affidavit for Candidacy](#)

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## 2021 Dog License Renewal Time is Here!

Renewal letters for the 2022 licenses were mailed in early December. Now it's more convenient than ever with online licensing! No credit card fees and your dog license will be mailed via US mail. Cost is \$15 per dog. Register online [HERE](#) If you no longer have your dog or have added a new furry friend to your family and need more information call City Hall or email [info@cityofpeosta.org](mailto:info@cityofpeosta.org).



## Christmas Tree Tags

On Monday, November 29, the Dubuque County Board of Supervisors approved awards for the annual Tom Hancock Memorial Fire and EMS Grant Program. A total of \$125,000 was awarded to ten (10) fire and EMS departments around Dubuque County. The Centralia Peosta Community Fire Department was awarded \$12,000 for the Lucas Device Purchase. Congratulations!

## Iowa Venture Award

Congratulations to ProPulse!  
The Iowa Venture Awards were announced today during the Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives' annual meeting. The awards, created in 1998, recognize Iowa companies and business leaders for their contributions to the state's economy through investment, expansion and the creation of job opportunities. The 33rd annual awards were presented at the Iowa Venture Award luncheon held at Sheraton West Des Moines. The awards are sponsored by the Iowa Area Development Group (IADG), the business and community development leader for nearly 220 member-owned rural electric cooperatives, municipal utilities, and telecommunication companies throughout the state. The awards are presented in three different categories: "Outstanding Business of the Year," "Distinguished Leadership" and "Value-Added Agriculture." ProPulse in Peosta was chosen to receive 2021 Venture Award!

[Venture Awards Article](#)

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## Garbage/Recycling Schedule

Garbage and Recycling will be picked up on their normal schedule in December. Please be sure to have your garbage and recycling out by 7:00am on Thursdays. Extra Garbage tags are available at Peosta City Hall, Peosta Community Centre front desk, Casey's, Fareway, and Kwik Stop.

There are 2 options this year for Christmas Tree Disposal

## Bi-County

Bi-County will be picking up Christmas Trees for residents on **January 6th** and **January 13th**. Tree's will require 2 tags which cost \$1.50 each (\$3.00 per Tree).

## Goats on the Go Cox Springs Farm, LLC

Baby and the others would like to let you know they eat (real) Christmas trees!

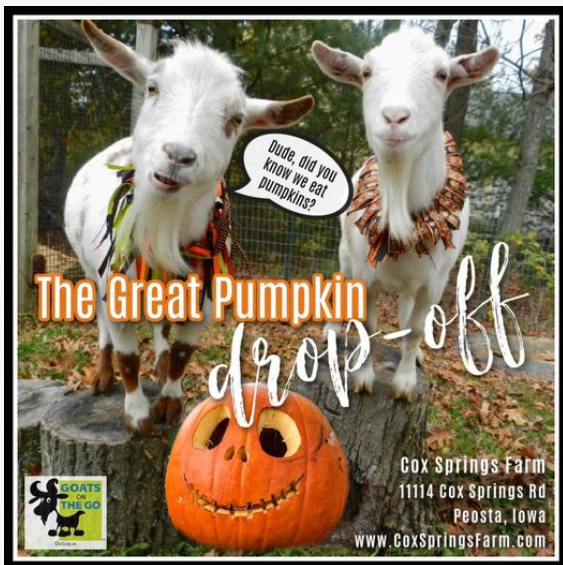
When you're done with yours, they would be very grateful if you dropped it off. (Please be very careful to remove all the wires, hooks and tinsel.)

Pine needles fight intestinal parasites, so this is great for the goat-handlers, too.

Thank you in advance and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

\*If you bring a tree, please leave it by the flagpole. No wreaths, please.

\*\*If you'd like to see the goats, please schedule a time with us. Thank you!



## Meet Noelle and Nicholas!

These little elves have been visiting businesses and friends in Peosta all month! Check out their adventures on the City of Peosta Facebook page! They do get a little crazy and like to have fun so watch out for these two!



The basketball/volleyball/Tennis courts will be closed on the following dates for tournaments



Saturday, December 18th  
Sunday, December 19th  
Saturday, January 8th  
Saturday, January 15th  
Sunday, January 23rd

### Holiday Hours

Thursday, December 23rd  
Closing at 4:00pm  
Friday, December 24th  
CLOSED  
Saturday, December 25th  
CLOSED  
Friday, December 31st  
Close at 4:00pm  
Saturday, January 1st  
CLOSED

Dubuque County Library  
PEOSTA / NICC BRANCH  
8342 NICC Drive  
Peosta, IA 52068  
Phone | 563-556-5110 ext.2224  
Email | [library@dubcolib.lib.ia.us](mailto:library@dubcolib.lib.ia.us)

**NICC/Peosta Branch entrance is accessible by the north entrance of the building.**

### **Family Cookie Party!**

All Ages! Kids, grab your favorite grandparents, parents, or other relatives for this multi-generational cookie decorating party! We'll have lots of cookie decorating supplies, music, and hot chocolate bar during the holiday break from school.

[Register Here!](#)

### [January 2022 Program Information](#)

Register for Programs [Here](#)



This month's business spotlight is **Subway!** The Peosta Subway location opened its doors on June 8th, 2005 and have been one of the quickest and easiest places to grab a bite to eat in Peosta. They have a selection of many subs, wraps, delicious salads, and protein bowls. And don't forget about those fresh baked cookies! They are looking to hire more energetic people Monday through Sunday for both the day shifts and night shifts. If interested in applying you are welcome to apply online or in person.

[Subway Menu and Online Ordering](#)



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